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1.(SBU) Per reftel (A), EmbOff delivered points regarding Kosovo to the Permanent Secretary in the Government of Jamaica (GoJ)'s Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Foreign Trade (MFAFT), Ambassador Gail Mathurin, on February 11.

2.(SBU) As conveyed reftel (D), previous MFAFT Permanent Secretary Ambassador Douglas Saunders indicated in January, 2008 that the GoJ "would not be able to recognize Kosovo's independence." On February 13, the MFAFT's Under Secretary for Multilateral Affairs, Ambassador Vilma McNish, reconfirmed to EmbOff that the GoJ would maintain this position.

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